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The vacancies in the Senate-Congress are worrying the opposition more than they are the Republican Party. Although the latter are perfectly willing to let them be filled, but so long as the opposition cannot agree to do so, they must together and assume the responsibility of the majority, the Republicans naturally object to allowing Democrats who are only one faction of the majority, to dictate how those vacancies shall be filled. Although the majority in a majority, the Republicans are given the important chairmanships of the Senate during the

gress, and they now insist upon agencies being filled so as to have control of the important committees or not at all, unless the opposition chooses to combine and replace all the committees on a silver platter by taking the chairmanships away from the Republicans.

The Mount Lebanon Shakers recently formed a great deal of charity, although they are not regarded as a charity, but as being more or less than an advertisement. It however resulted in great good. They gave away 1,000 bottles of their Digestive Cordial to those suffering from stomach derangements.

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has no counterpart. The new Central National Library, with its statues, its tapestries, and its marble halls, is a veritable masterpiece of architecture. The dome, and fifty-five feet high, is the loftiest of its kind in the world, and the British Museum has the reputation of being the most perfect in design for the purpose. The new building is in point of interior decoration only only second to the British Museum of London. The three day tours of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company are arranged to cover all these points of interest and many more. The tour of this city is a most interesting personal escort of an American tourist to the very facilities provided for a complete visit.

The next tour of the present series will be to New York and Philadelphia March 10th. Round trip tickets including hotel accommodations and every necessary expense will be \$10.00 from New York, \$12.50 from Philadelphia, and \$15.00 from other stations. A ticket agents; Tourist Agent New York, New York; or Geo. W. Boy

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MANHOOD SUFFRAGE.
"Republican Glasses" in the "Sunday Star" gives a sharp cut at the poll tax as a vicious influence in the politics of this state. The "Republican Glasses" generally sees things clearly and eye to eye with many of our readers. We give the following:

It is a frozen fact that the political organizations of Delaware will register the members of their respective parties regardless of the exactions of either the new or the old Constitution. If those exactions are such that large sums of money must be raised in order to help register the voters those sums will be raised, the money applied, and the voters registered. This is a fact no sensible man will dispute. If in the accomplishment of this the first duty of a party committee, the exactions of the new Constitution shall be strained or even violated, let the sin thereof be upon the head, not of the party workers, but of the delegates to the Constitutional convention, all of whom know by long experience how vicious has been the influence of the poll tax. It has debauched the whole moral sense of the people. It has converted Delaware into a plague spot. It has made the State a by-word and a reproach in the nation. It has been and is the root of all the evil. And yet the wise men of the convention agreed to levy a dollar per man and then by measures most drastic attempted to prevent even the loan of that dollar by the active party worker to the poor or the indifferent party voter. It won't work. The Constitution in that particular will be ignored. There will spring up in a breath a tacit agreement among all parties to wink at that particular violation of the new Constitution.

There is but one safe, clean cut way to get out of this: Establish manhood suffrage. Do as President Biggs declared he would do six weeks ago: "Oppose every effort to connect one cent with the idea and act of voting." Get it out of the voter's head that the ballot is something that must be bought with cash, and then he may learn to forget that it is something that may be sold for cash. Under no circumstances should men frame a Constitutional provision that must inevitably be violated. Of the 40,000 voters in Delaware, not more than 25,000 are poll taxables, and, therefore, not more than \$25,000 can be levied and collected from that class. What is \$25,000 in a State that levies and expends \$500,000 a year, including the cost of public education, not to speak of the \$300,000 annually that the counties raise and expend, and the \$500,000 which the municipality of Wilmington raises and distributes? And there are other municipalities. The people of Delaware raise annually in taxes and spend it, to more, than \$1,500,000. And yet the thirty sincere, sensible and patriotic members of the Constitutional convention have seriously agreed to perpetuate our accursed system for the sake of providing for \$25,000 of that great amount. This is surely swallowing a camel and straining at a gnat. The honorable members of the convention will themselves contribute to the "corruption fund" to register the "full vote" of their respective parties; some of them will even help to apply it and thus actively assist in beating their own handiwork, and the editors and newspaper owners who are now ignorantly defending the registration fee will then hypocritically defend the party workers, while those who are rich enough to contribute to the demoralizing party fund. All that will tend to depress still lower the all but infernal moral tone of the State.

GRACE AND GOOD NATURE.
We have no doubt that some of the Methodist congregations are agitated over the distribution of ministerial material over the Peninsula; but that is nothing new for these congregations. It is one of the glories of the itinerancy. Every year we have two or three indignant congregations as the result of the work of the annual conference, but they manage to become reconciled before many months roll round. This will be the result of the dissatisfaction at New Castle and other places, which is now being so freely commented upon by the secular press. As a rule it is very difficult to keep a Methodist mad for many weeks. He loves church work too well, and is too religious to make the whole year an insufferable burden upon his new pastor.—Evening Journal.

A BILL has been reported favorably by the Judiciary Committee of the Senate, making it a penal offense to use the U. S. mails for the conveying of kinesthetic pictures of prize fights and forbidding such exhibitions in the District of Columbia and the Territories. Several State Legislatures have acted along the same line, and the indications are that there will not be states enough where the "beastly show" will be tolerated to make it pay. Public sentiment has set the pace. Congress and the Legislatures will do the rest.

The Dingley tariff bill has a swift passage through the House. The vote on Wednesday was 205 for and 121 against. There were five Democrats and one Populist who supported it. Of course the free traders keep up the howl about free duties, and what the judgment of the Senate will be as to some of them remains to be seen. There has never been a tariff bill that just suited everybody but the Dingley bill, while subject to alterations, has the distinction of being the most thorough protective measure yet enacted.

WASHINGTON continues to be over-run with a horde of office seekers.

MAJOR Ben. Butterworth, of Ohio, has been appointed by President McKinley for Commissioner of Patents.

The Constitutional Convention has adopted the report of the Committee on the Legislature which provides for fifty-two members, the Senate having seventeen and the house thirty-five. Wilmington will have two Senators and five Representatives.

CURRENT EVENTS.

D. L. Moody has begun revival work in Chicago.

The Baltimore Methodist Conference has refused to ordain a young man who believes in healing by faith.

A number of Greek women in Athens are wearing the old Greek costume now, to show their patriotism.

If the Dingley bill will "curse this country with a surplus," let the curse alight upon us with both feet, so to speak.

The students of the school for colored children at Tuskegee, Ala., have made a million bricks during the present year.

Oliver Optic, writer of boys' stories, known the world over, is dead. His real name was William Taylor Adams. He was 75 years old.

At a quiet looking farm near Somerset, N. J., officers of the red sea a lot of milk cans. The cans were full of whisky, and the farm was the seat of a flourishing illicit still industry.

Preparations are being made throughout the British empire for a thanksgiving celebration on June 20, the 60th anniversary of the Accession of Queen Victoria to the throne.

A toro swept away the entire town of Chandler in Oklahoma, Tuesday night, 25 persons were killed and 200 injured, and the scene is one of desolation. The tornado swept through Texas and Kansas.

Miss Anna Dickinson was on the witness stand at Scranton, Pa., this week in her \$50,000 damage suit against the parties by whom she was placed in an insane asylum. She reviewed her life in a very tragic manner.

The dead body of Archibald Campbell of Brooklyn, a jockey, aged 27, was found Monday in the bottom of a skiff drifting in the Upper New York bay, near Robbins Reef. He had committed suicide. He was the son of an English Colonel, bred a gentleman but was a failure both as a gentleman and a self-supporter.

"I've got something nobody else has got," said the wealthy New Yorker, who has been experimenting with raising fancy fowls over in New Jersey. "What is it?" "I bought a \$175 incubator, put \$25 worth of eggs in it, and hatched out a blue-bottle fly. I've got the only \$200 blue-bottle fly in this or any other country."

New York City has instituted a system of medical inspection of school children, and children with eye, ear, nose, throat, mumps, measles, croup, whooping cough, diphtheria and scarlet fever are sent home with a card stating why they are dismissed. The examining physician afterwards visits the homes of the children and sees that they are properly cared for. A great many young practitioners of both sexes are given employment by the new system of the New York Health Department.

Reduced Rates to New York by Pennsylvania Railroad.

For the dedication of the Grant Monument Tomb, April 27, the Pennsylvania Railroad Company will sell tickets from all points on its line to New York, April 29, and from points within one hundred and fifty miles of New York, April 29 and 27, good to return to the point of departure, at rate of a fare and a third for the round trip. Tickets for military companies in uniform, numbering fifty or more, traveling in a body on one ticket, will be sold at rate of single fare per capita for the round trip.

The parade on this occasion will be the grandest military demonstration since the war. Thousands of veterans, United States regulars, and State militiamen will be in line.

Prizes in two inventions.

A highly interesting competition between a large number of new inventions has just been decided by a very distinguished Board of Awards, and a handsome cash prize and solid gold medal awarded as the result of the decision. For some time the patent firm of John Weidner & Co., of Washington, D. C. have given a monthly reward of \$150 to the inventor who should submit the best invention from the standpoint of simplicity, novelty and utility. The Board of Awards, composed of Senator William Stewart, of Nevada, Chairman, Representative Claude A. Swanson, of Virginia; Mr. John C. Eckloff, cashier of Second National Bank of Washington, and Messrs. A. C. Moses, of W. B. Moore's Sons, and Frederick E. Woodward, of Woodward & Lothrop, two of the leading merchants of the capital city.

This Board has just selected the prize winners in the contest participated in by inventors who have submitted their devices during the month of January. The prize of \$150 goes to William Taylor, of Kearney, N. J., the inventor of a bicycle brake of simple construction, and the gold medal to Theodore G. Thomas, of Lamarque, Texas, for a monkey wrench of novel design.

A Delightful and Interesting Trip to Washington.

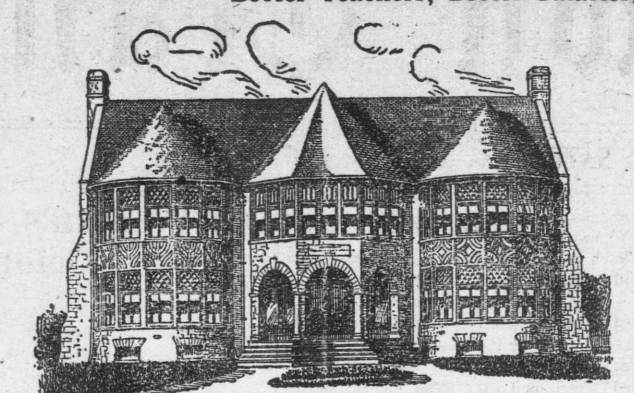
To visit Washington at any time to behold its fine avenues and its grand buildings is a delight; but to visit it in the early Springtime, when the soft southern sun is recalling the daffodils and crocuses from their winter beds, and filling the air with life giving warmth, is an exquisite pleasure. Such a visit is afforded by the three-day tour of the Pennsylvania Railroad which leaves New York and Philadelphia April 1, under personal escort. The tour of the city covers all the principal points of interest, including the new Congressional Library, which, with its grand marble stairway, its magnificent pillars, its exquisite statues and beautiful frescoes, has been pronounced the handsomest building at the capital. Congress will no doubt be in extra session.

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Who fought and bled in freedom's cause,
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And when the storm of war was gone
Enjoyed the peace your valor won.

Let independence be our boast,
Ever mindful what it cost;
Ever grateful for the prize,
Let us alter reach the skies.

Firm, united let us be,
Rallying round our liberty;
As a band of brothers joined,
Peace and safety we shall find.

Immortal patriot rise once more,
Defend thy rights, defend your shore;
Let no rude foe with impious hand,
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Make the shrine whom sacred lies
Of toil and blood the well-earned prize.

While offering peace sincere and just,
In Heaven we place a manly trust,
That truth and justice will prevail,
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Sound, sound the trump of fame!
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Let every clime to freedom dear
Ladies with a joyful ear
With equal skill and godlike power
He governed in the fearful hour
Of horror war; or guides with ease
The happier times of honest peace.

Behold the chief who now commands,
Once more to serve his country stands:
The rock on which the storm will beat;
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Arm, armed in virtue, firm and true,
His hopes are fixed on Heaven and you.

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